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IN RE APPLICATION OF:	§	
Mark A. Greaney, et al.	§	EXAMINER: Not Assigned
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PCT/US2004/040088	§	
	§	ATTY. DOCKET NO.: P2003J100
FILED: December 1, 2004	§	
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FOR: METHOD FOR REDUCING	§	
THE NITROGEN CONTENT	§	
OF PETROLEUM STREAMS	§	
WITH REDUCED SULFUR	§	
ACID CONSUMPTION	§	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicants respectfully request entry of the instant Preliminary Amendment prior to calculation of the fees and commencement of prosecution in this application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.